

Amendments to the Specification:

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 1, line 5 with the following rewritten paragraph:

--This application relates to commonly assigned copending U.S. Patent Appln. No. 09/849,093 ~~xx/xxx,xxx~~, also entitled "System and Methods for Providing Dynamic Authorization in a Computer System," filed on the same day as the present application, the entirety of which is hereby incorporated by reference.--

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 12, line 22 with the following rewritten paragraph:

-- For example, a system and methods for providing dynamic authorization in a computer system via standard programming objects are disclosed in commonly assigned copending U.S. Patent Appln. No. 09/849,093 ~~xx/xxx,xxx~~, filed Month, Day, Year. In one embodiment, the system of U.S. Patent Appln. No. 09/849,093 ~~xx/xxx,xxx~~ supplements the APIs and data structures used for statically determined authorization policies. According to a typical access check procedure, an application registers itself for use of the dynamic group and dynamic access check routines that will supplement the regular access check APIs and data structures. The regular access check APIs and data structures are correspondingly altered to accommodate and utilize the dynamic functionality of the dynamic routines. Upon a request from a user or a machine, the client context is determined based upon static and dynamic data i.e., the client context may be computed in relation to dynamic factors. For instance, the groups to which the requestor belongs may be a dynamic factor, and may be determinative as to whether the requestor has access vis-à-vis a dynamic or static authorization policy. According to a routine that determines the requestor's group affiliation according to static factors, the client context is then updated with dynamically computed groups according to the dynamic group routine. If there is dynamic authorization policy, it can be stored in a specialized dynamic Access Control Entry (ACE) structure that has an identifier indicating its dynamic nature. By way of the access check APIs used for static ACEs, augmented by dynamic functionality, if a match is made between information contained

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in the client context and a dynamic ACE, a dynamic access check routine tailored to the application is called whereby the authorization policy is determined in relation to dynamic data. This information is returned to supplement static access determination results and permission for the requested access may then be denied or granted in accordance with the results.--